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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : John J. ALLEN Confirmation No.: 2856
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Title : LANCING DEVICE WITH TRIGGER MECHANISM FOR
PENETRATION DEPTH CONTROL
Art Unit : 3736
Examiner : Huong Q. NGUYEN

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Dear Sir:

Extension of Time

Applicants hereby request an extension of time for Two (2) months from the original due date of January 13, 2007 to extend the time for reply to March 13, 2007. The required fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2) of \$450.00 is submitted herewith in an express request to charge said fees to Deposit Account No. 10-0750 (Docket LFS5016USNP/MM). (Form PTO/SB/22 is attached in duplicate). The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 10-0750.

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In response to the Final Office Action of October 13, 2006, and pursuant to the Advisory Action mailed 02/05/2007. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.